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Glen Canyon News Release

Chains Area to be Temporarily Closed February 12- March 2 for Cleanup Project

Page, Ariz. – The Chains area, located near the Glen Canyon Dam, will be closed to the public from February 12 through March 2, 2007, to allow for cleanup of waste material.

During the construction of the Glen Canyon Dam, the area immediately to the south of the Chains parking lot was used as a landfill for a variety of construction wastes, including potentially hazardous chemicals, tar, metal debris, scrap lumber, rubber hose, and insulation. Over the years, this material has become exposed on the surface and within drainage channels near the parking lot. During the closure, heavy equipment will be used to remove materials that are exposed as well as those below ground.

While the Chains area is temporarily closed, visitors wishing to access Lake Powell have a variety of other alternatives nearby. Antelope Point and Wahweap Marinas are open year-round, as is the Lone Rock Beach area. This short closure is occurring at a time when the Chains receives fewer visitors.

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